Monitoring the export of individual drugs

382. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry monitors the export of individual drugs;

(b) if so, what was the export of Danazol during the last two years, yearwise;

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons for not monitoring the export of individual drugs;

(d) what is the import content in the export of Danazol per kg. and what is the FOB price; and

(e) what is the added value per kg of export of Danazol?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (e) The Drug Danazol is not separately classified in the Indian Trade Classification on the basis of which foreign trade statistics are compiled. As per information collected by the Basic Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Export Promotion Council, Bombay, during January 1988 to December 1988 and January 1989 to March 1989, Danazol valued at Rs. 2.13 crores and Rs. 66.36 lakhs, respectively was exported. For export of every one kilogram of Danazol, the manufacturer-exporter is entitled to import 1.9 kg. of Ethisterone, 3 kgs. of Sodium Ter tiary Butoxide, 15 kgs. of Tetrahydrofuron, and 2.7 kgs. of Ethyl Formate, under the DEEC Scheme, and such exports are subject to a minimum value addition of 33 per cent.

Export of anti-cancer drugs

383. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry is monitoring the export of drugs;

(b) whether it is also a fact that certain anti-cancer drugs are being exported from India;

(c) if so, the names of such anti-cancer drugs;

(d) what was the quantity of each such drug exported during the last two years, yearwise;

(e) the names of the countries where these drugs were exported;

(f) what was the price at which these drugs were being exported;

(g) whether these drugs are also being imported; and

(h) what was the average CIF price per year during the last three years at which each was imported?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (h) Anticancer drugs such as Vinblastine, Vincristine and Danazol are being exported from India. These drugs are exported to USA, Kenya, U.K. and Switzerland. These drugs are not separately classified in the Indian Trade Classification on the basis of which trade statistics are compiled. However, as per information collected by Basic Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Export promotion Council, Bombay, the quantity and value of exports of Vinblastine, Vincristine and Danazole made during the year 1988 and

1989 (upto March 1988) are as shown below:

	VINBLASTINE		VINCRISTINE		DANAZOL	
	Qty.	Value (Lakhs)	Qty.	Value (Lakhs)	Qty.	Value (Lakhs)
1988 . .	2·100 kg.	12·43	420 gms.	28·49	1692 kg.	2·13 crores
1989 . . upt o March)	0·400 kg	12·20	3000 vials	0·65	504 kg.	0·66 crores

(SOURCE: Basic Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Export Promotion Council, Bombay.)

The average FOB price is not monitored by the Export Promotion Council. Further, import of these drugs are permissible under Open General Licence (OGL). Imports made under OGL are also not being monitored.

Follow up action on sit report on Smt. Indira Gandhi assassination case

384. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of those against whom charge-sheets have been filed by the Special Investigation Team which was constituted by Government to investigate into the case relating to the assassination of Shrimati Indira Gandhi and any other offences connected therewith; and

(b) the names of those who have been let off and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The following are the persons against whom charge-sheets have been filed in the court: –

1. Satwant Singh
2. Balbir Singh
3. Kehar Singh
4. Simranjit Singh Mann
5. Atinder Pal Singh
6. Jagmohan Singh @ Toni
7. Dalip Singh

(b) As a result of investigation, all the persons against whom offences punishable under relevant sections of Law and duly substantiated by evidence, oral and documentary, have been sent up for trial and none has been let-off; Beant Singh (in the first charge sheet) and Rattan Singh (in the second charge-sheet) died before filing the charge sheets and hence the charges against them stand abated.

Securing of advances by banks and other financial institutions

385. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether, as a matter of general banking practice, the commercial banks or financial institutions insist on an additional security to secure their advances which was originally made against the fixed assets, which are subsequently impounded by the Revenue Department of the Central Government on finding some kind of irregularities or violations of laws at the outset;

(b) if so, whether the bankers of Express Group of newspapers have taken any additional security measures for the advances they had made on Hong Hua Wef Offset machines which were impounded by the Customs Department; and